

# Little Book Baby

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## SYNOPSIS

This little baby loves sharing books!

Books on the tram with Dad, books at picnics with Nanna and Pa and even bath-time books with Mummy. Morning, noon and night, books make everything better.

From talented duo, Katrina Germein and Cheryl Orsini, comes a heartwarming story about the joy and delight of sharing books.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Katrina Germein is a bestselling picture book author whose books have been published around the world. Popular titles include *Big Rain Coming* and *My Dad Thinks He's Funny*, which was Highly Commended in the Prime Minister's Literary Awards. In 2019 Katrina received a Speech Pathology Book of the Year Award for *Let's Go Strolling*. Many of her other stories are CBCA Notable Books. Katrina is an ambassador for Raising Literacy Australia, a Books in Homes Role Model and a Premier's Reading Challenge Ambassador. She has an energetic dog named Mango and summer is her favourite season.

## ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Cheryl Orsini is the much-loved illustrator of *The Fairy Dancers*, *The Tales of Mrs Mancini* and *The Magic Bookshop*. She has illustrated more than thirty children's books, and her work regularly appears in magazines and exhibitions.

To learn more, [visit cherylorsini.com](http://visit.cherylorsini.com).

## STUDY NOTES

- There are many animals featured on the covers of Book Baby's books. Identify as many as you can.
- *Little Book Baby* uses a rhyme scheme known as rhyming couplets. This is where two lines rhyme with each other at the end of each line. Choose two of the spreads in the book and for each one, repeat rhyme on that spread.
  - Can you think of any other words that rhyme with the words on the page?
- What are the three main colours used in *Little Book Baby*?
  - Book Baby wears one of these colours for most of the book. What do you think that says about them? Why do you think the illustrator has chosen to put them in this colour?

- Different colours are associated with different feelings, places and ideas. What are the three colours that you identify with?
- Each spread in *Little Book Baby* has a different theme (eg. trams, singing, picnics). Identify the theme of each spread.
  - Visit a library and find a book suitable for Book Baby to read for each theme.
- Using magazines and craft supplies, as a class, make a collage of things Book Baby would like to read. As a class, discuss what you would like to include. Ask an adult to help cut things out.